

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-11 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph. In response, Applicant has attached a substitute Figure 2 with this amendment and response to replace the unclear Figure 2 submitted with the application as filed. Applicant has ensured that new no matter has been entered.

Claims 9-11 were rejected under 35 U.S.C 102(b) as being anticipated by Barrett (US 4,718,233). Claims 9-11 have been canceled in the present amendment and response.

Claims 1, 3, 5, and 8 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 (a) as being unpatentable over Barrett (US 4,718,233) in view of Lowery (US 5853215). Claims 1,3,5 and 8 have been canceled in the present amendment and response.

Claims 2, 6, and 7 were also rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Barrett (US 4,718,233) in view of Lowery (US 5853215), and further in view of Nipko (5,058,343). Claims 2, 6, and 7 have been canceled in the present amendment and response.

Claim 3 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Barrett (US 4,718,233) in view of Lowery (US 5853215), and further in view of Ferch (6,311,487). Claim 3 has been canceled by the present amendment and response.

Applicant notes that claim 4 was rejected as part of the 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph rejection per Figure 2. Because Applicant now believes that the

substitute Figure 2 will rectify the 35 U.S.C. 112 rejection, Applicant has rewritten claim 4 with all the limitations of claim 1 (from which it depends), as it is anticipated that claim 4 is now in condition for allowance since there was no other rejection regarding claim 4.

Applicant has amended the present application with new claims 12-17. The new claims highlight a distinction between the present invention and relevant art. Barrett (US 4,718,233) shows a system wherein power is routed from solar panels and eventually to a home, such that if the solar panels fail to supply power, a battery and/or power company power powers the home. Unlike Barrett, the present invention, as represented in claims 12-17, is a power module system that uses an electric motor and a generator in combination to create a power increase generating-loop. There is no hook-up to the power company once the power storage base has been charged. Unlike Barrett's invention, the present invention maintains a power storage base capable without a requisite hook-up to the power company.

Applicant believes the claims are now in condition for allowance.

**Petition is hereby made and authorization is hereby given to charge deposit account number 500356 for all fees due and owing for a one month extension for replying from the mailing date of this office action.**

This office action is submitted within one month past the statutory period for response, having been faxed to the Examining Corps at 703-872-9302 on April 5, 2002.

The Examiner is encouraged to call the Attorney-of-Record, Michael L.

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### MARKED UP CLAIMS

I Claim:

Please cancel claims 1-3.

4. (Amended) An utility usage system [as in claim 1, further] for a home,  
comprising:

at least one electric motor;

an alternator connected by belts to said at least one electric motor;

a generator turbine, communicating with said at least one electric  
motor;

a power storage base, communicating with said generator turbine  
and said at least one electric motor; and

a first breaker box, communicating with said power storage base and the  
home.

Please cancel claims 5-11.

12. (New) An utility usage system, comprising:

transmitting power from a power source to a power storage  
base;

transmitting a first portion of said power from said power

storage base to at least one electric motor;

transmitting a second portion of said power from at least one electric motor to a generator;

transmitting a third portion of said power from said generator to said power storage base;

transmitting said third portion of said power from said power storage base to said at least one electric motor; and

transmitting a fourth portion of said power from said power storage base to a unit requiring power.

13. (New) An utility usage system as in claim 12, wherein said at least one electric motor can be of any conventional voltage.

14. (New) An utility usage system as in claim 12, further comprising transmitting said power from said at least one electric motor to a transmission, and then to said generator.

15. (New) An utility usage system as in claim 12, wherein said power storage base has a series of batteries which are connected to one another.

16. (New) An utility usage system as in claim 12, further comprising transmitting said power to an inverter for converting current from

directed current to alternated current, said inverter communicating with  
said power storage base and said unit requiring power.

17. (New) An utility usage system as in claim 12, wherein said power  
source is at least one solar panel.

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